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A NEW FACE AT THE DOOR

A pleasant duty falls to the lot of The Saturday News to-day. It doesn't seem so long ago that it was a journalistic infant itself. But with the present issue it completes the fourth year of its existence. This is not a long period in the life of an individual, but it is in that of a Western Canadian journal. It is sufficiently long, at any rate, to justify it in assuming the role of a big brother and commending to the kind attention of its readers The Edmonton Daily Capital, which will make its first appearance on Monday afternoon.

As has already been stated in these columns, when the advent of this journalistic newcomer was announced, it will, though issued from the same office as The Saturday News, in no way affect the character of the latter, which will pursue the same course as a weekly journal of comment as it has since it was launched. The Daily Capital is to be, first and foremost, a vehicle for the dissemination of news, devoted to Edmonton and the territory which looks to the city as its centre. It will have the advantage of a thoroughly competent and well-organized staff from the start and nothing will be left undone to make it worthy in all respects of the splendid field that it sets out to serve. That it has an expectant public awaiting its appearance there is no question. That it will justify all that is hoped from it The Saturday News has every confidence.

THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SATURDAY NEWS

Next week the Saturday News will issue, along with its regular edition, a special Christmas number, which will be well worth looking forward to. The edition will comprise twenty-four pages and in addition to a large variety of matter, suitable to the season, in the way of Christmas stories and special Christmas articles, all very artistically illustrated, there will be numerous features of Albertan interest. Many local views will be presented and much information will be supplied regarding conditions in this part of the world which will make the paper of decided value for sending to friends at a distance. All subscribers will receive a copy and the price on the street will not be advanced beyond the regular charge of five cents. As there can be no question of the large demands which will be made upon the supply of papers available, orders for extra copies should be forwarded at the earliest moment possible.

A UNIQUE SUBSCRIPTION OFFER

For the time being subscriptions will be taken for the Edmonton Daily Capital and The Saturday News at the ordinary price of one daily paper. For four dollars per year both papers will be delivered to any part of Edmonton, and for three dollars they will be sent to outside points. For those who wish to subscribe for The Saturday News alone, the subscription arrangements will continue as in the past.

A regular city delivery system will not be inaugurated till the first of the year and all subscriptions under the offer of the two papers for the price of one, will be dated from January 1st. When it is considered that a thoroughly up-to-date newspaper and a weekly journal of comment, with the reputation of The Saturday News, are being given for the prices quoted, the advantage to the subscriber is apparent. Subscriptions for The Capital have been flowing in freely ever since the fact was made public that it was to come into existence, a genuine rush for the distinction of being enrolled as the first subscriber taking place. Now with this, the first announcement of the actual terms of subscription, the circulation department expects that a very busy two or three weeks will follow.

Watch for the Capital on the streets Monday afternoon.

Note and Comment

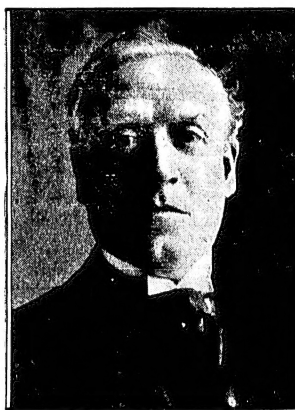
The Century Magazine in an editorial article in the December issue, laments the decline of good manners. Leaving the rest of the country to speak

The Leaders in the British Political Struggle



A recent portrait of the Conservative leader, the Right Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, showing him leaving the 'Travellers' Club accompanied by his private secretary.

The first elections in the old country are expected to be about the middle of January, continuing till the end of the month. Everything goes to show that one of the great struggles of British constitutional history has begun. The action of the House of Lords has revived all the old fighting spirit in the Liberal ranks and there is no doubt that the party is in a better position to face a general election than at any time during the past three years. Amid all the talk about the Lords barking the will of the people, however, it should not be forgotten that the action of the Upper Chamber doesn't mean that it is intent on imposing its opinion on the country



THE RIGHT HON. HERBERT H. ASQUITH, Premier and Leader of the Liberal Party

for itself, it declares that in New York the deterioration of what may be called public manners has become so marked as no longer to excite attention. And while in certain circles there is vigorous insistence upon the fineness of good breeding, it asks if there is not also noticeable, in general, a less careful attention to manners within doors. The fact seems to be, according to the Century's article, "that a good many Americans who have good manners act as if they were heartily ashamed of it, and hope that their children will not find it out." The suggestion is thrown out that here is a subject that might properly engage the attention of the women's clubs.

The development is by no means confined to New York or to American cities. The "gentleman of the old school" is seldom found outside the story books. Refinement of speech and courtesy of behavior are considered evidences of weakness of character. A man who expresses himself correctly and politely is described as "too nice altogether" and an utterance in ungrammatical language is so often thought to be so much more forceful than in one in which the King's English is not murdered, that a person who knows better at times deliberately adopts the former.

and thus doing away with responsible government. The claim made by the Conservatives is that the Budget introduces new principles, which have not been approved of by the mass of the people. The Lords, therefore, threw it out with the idea of having a popular expression of opinion in regard to it. This will now be obtained. If the government is sustained, the Budget must go through. Incidentally, if this is the result, the prestige of the House of Lords will be lowered, instead of being increased, as it was after the people endorsed its action in throwing out the Home Rule Bill.

Miss Jane Addams, whose work in the social settlements of Chicago, has made her an outstanding figure in the life of that city, is of the opinion that the greatest refining influence that can be brought to bear on the growing generation may be exerted through providing more natural outlets for their youthful enthusiasm. In short, she believes that they should be given greater opportunities to play. She has recently written a book on "The Spirit of Youth and the City Streets," which is well worth some attention, particularly in these western cities of ours, with the future all before them and the chance to profit by the mistakes of those of the older parts of the continent.

"One generation after another," she writes, "has depended upon its youth to equip it with gaiety and enthusiasm, to persuade it that living is a pleasure, until men everywhere have anxiously provided channels through which this wine of life might flow and be preserved for their delight. The classical city promoted play with careful solicitude, building the theatre and stadium as it built the market place and the temple. The Greeks held their games so integral a part of their religion and patriotism that they came to expect from their

poets the highest utterances at the moment when the sense of pleasure released the national life. In the mediaeval cities the knights had their tournaments, the guilds their pageants, the people their dances, and the church made festival for its most cherished saints with gay street processions, and presented a drama in which no less a theme than the history of creation became a matter of thrilling interest. Only in the modern city have men concluded that it is no longer necessary for the municipality to provide for the insatiable desire for play."

Miss Addams then proceeds to show in what manner this appetite reveals itself. She tells the stories heard in the juvenile courts, submits to a kindly but penetrating scrutiny the boys who are sent to the penal schools, gets under the tawdry peacock waist of the wistful young girl at the dance hall, finds the honest, aching heart of the city-marooned young country fellow underneath his apparent rowdiness. And she sums up the whole situation by placing the blame at the doors of those who have the city of the future as well as the city of the present in their provision, and yet do not regard the needs of the young.

We need to preserve open spaces, in which cramped natures may obtain relief, to encourage every kind of recreation, which develops the body and gives the mind scope, to bring out all that is picturesque and that stirs the imagination. A dead commercialism, which fails to make provision for these needs, or a distorted outlook on the world, which opposes those who endeavor to provide them, are what we have to fear.

How many of us, as youngsters, have pondered over the mysterious affix "Esq.," that was attached to our fathers' letters? What did it signify? No one could ever explain it to our satisfaction. An incident, which is now attracting some attention in the English newspapers, will throw some light on the matter. Incidentally it shows the nature of the struggle which is now on between the two great parties in the Old Land, the issue of which will be decided next month.

"The time has come," says "S. L. H." in the Morning Leader, "when some of the gentry think they must make a stand and insist upon their rights in regard to such matters. Possibly Mr. Lloyd-George is to blame, but whether that be so or not the fact remains that we live in unsettling days, when monstrous and levelling doctrines find favor. Indeed, Lord Rosbery quite recently made the valuable observation that if we do not take care we shall be right up against the end of all things—and obviously after that nothing would be either beer or rhere, or indeed anywhere else."

A gentleman at Tunbridge Wells had occasion to protest against the conduct of a local newswriter who presumed to use the expression "Mr." in front of his name instead of following it by "Esq.," The correspondence was published in full in the newspapers.

"I must also direct your attention," wrote the aggrieved gentleman, "to the fact that although you know I have an independent income, and have had a college education, and am heir to my aunt, Lady —, you will address me on your envelopes as 'Mr.'"

"I am not an upstart or retired tradesman, but have been independent all my life, and my father and grandfather before me."

"Furthermore, my brother is an M.A. of Oriel College, Oxford. My brother-in-law is also a deputy county-court judge."

"They have been presented at Court, and we have had Peers dining at our table in — gardens. Lord — and Lord — are intimate friends of my brother, and if you doubt it you can write to Lord — at — St. James Park."

"Of course, if you do not know, there is an excuse. I do not write this to put side on, as no gentleman does that, but there are certain rights and a proper pride that rule everyone."

The news agent replied as follows:

"I am in receipt of the stamps and your letter, which caused me great amusement. I regret I cannot boast of a college education, and am obliged to work for my living, but although I am only a small tradesman I do not think the withdrawal of your custom will compel me to close my establishment. I treasure your letter as a souvenir."

"In looking over the hideous record," comments the writer in the Morning Leader, "once more I find—and it gives me infinite pain to report the

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ROBERT LEE

To the Ratepayers of the City of Edmonton:

I am once more a candidate for the important position of Mayor because you at the annual meeting demanded with no uncertain sound that I should be, and I expect you to carry into active force the promise you gave me if I would accede to your demands.

Power Plant

When completed the new buildings will be as nearly fireproof as it is possible to make them. The old power house building should be re-roofed and re-floored in order to make it also fire-proof.

The output of power to each department is now on meters, and monthly accounts will be rendered to the different departments. Their position financially can then be shown each month.

Street Railway

I am in favor of placing the management and control of our Street Railway under a Board of Commissioners composed of business men, residents of the city.

Water Supply

The present source of supply is satisfactory, and when it is necessary to move the intake up the river this can be done by laying the intake pipe up the bank, letting the water flow by gravity to the present pumping plant.

Very careful consideration should be given the matter before any person or company is given a franchise for our water supply.

Penitentiary Grounds

I have been in communication with the Dominion Government regarding removing from the present location, but nothing definite has been arrived at. I can assure you nothing would please me better than to see it placed farther out, and a strong effort should be made to have it done.

Manufacturing Industries

I believe we should make a strong effort to induce manufacturing industries to locate here, and, if necessary, inducements by way of cheap sites should be offered.

I have during this year found it necessary to devote my whole time to the service of the city, and I believe it will be just as necessary next year, and I am prepared to do so if elected.

ROBERT LEE.

For that Christmas Photograph

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Edmonton

The ladies of the Hospital Aid desire to publicly extend their thanks to Mr. Purvis, of the Purvis Co., for his great generosity in voluntarily offering, and later paying them, five per cent. of the total sales in his store on December 1st, a day he set aside and called Hospital Day.

Dropping into the store that morning I noticed that all the clerks wore red cross badges on their arms, and that many of those interested in Hospital matters were purchasing freely.

Mrs. Charlesworth was the hostess of a jolly little bridge of three tables on Wednesday night, given in honor of Mrs. McMurchy, of Toronto, when a merry coterie of friends enjoyed a good game. Mrs. James Biggar carrying off the prize.

Mrs. Charlesworth was looking very smart in a handsome toilette, and about eleven a delicious supper was served.

Mrs. Duncan Smith entertained four tables at Bridge the same evening, receiving in a lovely gown of black and white embroidered chiffon over white satin, and doing the honors of her pretty home in her own attractive way. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Cautley, Mr. and Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Donald Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. Swaisland, Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Neill Hayes and Miss Ford, Mr. Mowat, and several others. Mrs. Swaisland and Mrs. Hayes carried off two coveted prizes.

Among last week's pleasant parties was Mrs. Richards House-Warming tea on Friday when a large number of her friends dropped in for tea and a chat, and also to admire the beautifully arranged new home and all its fine points.

Mrs. Richards, beautifully gowned in painted net over satin, received them at the entrance to the reception room, which made a lovely picture with its bunches of great golden 'mums disposed effectively amid the artistic appointments of furniture and wall decorations.

The tea-room was also much admired, golden-brown 'mums being again employed and disposed in a basket with high graceful handle with a great bow of golden chiffon on the side, and resting on a Battenberg centre on the polished table. Here Mrs. Scoble and Mrs. Henwood dispensed tea and coffee while Miss Taylor, Miss Wilson, Miss Henderson and Miss Cuthbert assisted.

Among others who thus happily made the acquaintance of the new home were: Mrs. H. C. Wilson, Mrs. Lines, Mrs. Cautley, Mrs. Alex. Fraser, Mrs. Nightingale, Mrs. Belcher and Miss Belcher, Mrs. Sydney Woods, Mrs. Dickins, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Lane, Miss Flo and Miss Alice Watson, Mrs. Macdonald and Miss Sowden.

Mrs. Richards has taken the day of that part of the town, the 1st Monday, as her reception day.

TO START THE WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN

The members of the Boys' Club will hold a concert on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 15th at 7:30 p.m. to which all the members are invited. The boys are planning a fine programme of recitations, musical selections, etc., besides a two-act drama entitled "A Millionaire Junior." This is one of the best plays ever written for an amateur production for boys and will no doubt make a hit here.

The boys have decided to conduct a three days' whirlwind campaign beginning Thursday, December 16th, and ending Saturday 16th, at 10 p.m. During this time the boys expect to raise sufficient funds to remodel and furnish the Boys' Rooms. There are now over 100 members in the Boys' Department and the present quarters have become altogether too small to accommodate the new members that are continually coming in. The two Educational Rooms adjoining the

game room are to be given over to the thriving department and the boys themselves are undertaking to raise the \$400 for the furnishing of the boys' parlor and game room and the building of a new stairway from the boys' room to the basement. It is also probable that a side entrance for boys will soon be made thus giving the boys a direct entrance to their rooms from the street. The plan which the boys have adopted for raising the necessary funds for these alterations, is to sell shares in the Boys' Department Furnishing Co., Ltd., at \$100 each. Dividends are declared continuously in the upbuilding of clean manhood of Edmonton. All the boys present at the concert will have a chance to secure some shares to sell to their friends. The three boys selling the most shares in the three days of the Campaign will be awarded handsome gold, silver and bronze medals, which are now being made at Jackson Bros., Jewelers. No money is to be paid to the boys selling the shares. A Y. M. C. A. representative will call in the course of a few days for the amount. A large clock will be displayed outside the Association Building during the campaign and will indicate the number of shares sold each day of the campaign. Now, boys, altogether—1, 2, 3.

Starland.

Although the weather has been so cold, many people have visited this popular theatre knowing that it was worth while to attend the splendid programmes which management always secure. Last Friday and Saturday a drama entitled "The Witches' Cave" presented a complete novelty in the way of scenery. There was something weird and uncanny throughout the whole play which chained the attention of the onlookers from start to finish. Nor did they fail to appreciate "Chums," a story of affection between a little Russian peasant and her dog. "The Leopard Queen" is a film, once seen never forgotten. First it he wreck, then the lonely life in an uninhabited place, her strange companions, and final success in Paris, were followed with the keenest interest. But, even this is excelled by the "Slave." This indeed, is one of the finest films ever exhibited. The scene is laid in Rome, and throughout the whole exhibition the staging and acting are really marvellous. The terrible sacrifice which only a mother could make for the starving husband and child, touched the hearts of all and the finale was worthy of the whole play, when husband and wife gradually emerge from the dark to dawn.

NOTE AND COMMENT

(Continued from page one.) fact—that the tradesman's insolent message was sent, not enclosed in an envelope, but expressed with all the open indecency which accompanies a communication on a postcard. Once more I am reminded of Lord Rosebery's melancholy allusion to the end of all, and I am sure that my honored friend, Sir Robert Perks, Bart., will agree that if a tradesman is allowed to send a disrespectful postcard to the nephew of a lady of family, the sooner the end of all things arrives the better.

All this serves to explain to us why the fight that the politicians of the old land are now warring up to is surely a bitter one. It is a struggle of class against class such as fortunately, we have not had in this country since its very early days. However much interested we on this side of the water may be in the campaign, the attitude of the majority is that merely of the interested spectator. Few would be disposed to use the language, for instance, that appears in a letter to the New York Sun by a resident of that city, which concludes:

"I could fill a whole issue of the Sun with the crimes of the Liberal party. I would sooner have an open and avowed enemy in power, such as the political party known as the Tory party, than the disreputable, contentious, puritanical, canting, canting, fraudulent and treacherous Liberal party."

ORCHESTRA SATURDAY NIGHT

Shank's Orchestra will be at Douglas & Co's Bookstore, from 7:30 to 10 o'clock Saturday night. This popular bookstore will be open every night next week. Here is where you will find the "very" gift you have been looking for for Christmas giving.

The Home Paper—the paper that is laid away until after dinner—the paper that mother ALWAYS reads—the Saturday News.

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Our neighbor, he calls me his Little Boy Blue

Whenever he goes to our yard; And he says "Good-morning" or "How-do-you-do?"

But sometimes he winks awful hard.

I guess he don't know what my name really is, he knew.

Or else he forgot, if he knew. And my! You would think I am really part his—

He calls me his Little Boy Blue!

Our Neighbor, he told me that Little Boy Blue

Once stood all his toys in a row, And said, "Now, don't go till I come back for you!"

But that was a long time ago. And one time, at Christmas, when I had a tree,

He brought me a sled, all brand new, And smiled when he said it was partly for me

And partly for Little Boy Blue.

Our Neighbor, he's not going to have any tree,

So he says the best he can do, Is to try to get something to partly give me

And partly give Little Boy Blue. Because, if he's here, it would make him so kind,

And he said he knew it was true. That ever and ever so many folks had A boy just like Little Boy Blue.

Our Neighbor, he calls me his Little Boy Blue

And said he would like to help trim Our tree when it came—he would feel that he knew

It was partly for me and for him. He said he would fix it with lights and wax flowers,

With popcorn and berries—you see, He'd like to come over and help to trim ours—

He's not going to have any tree! —J. W. Foley in Saturday Evening Post.

"I don't know what day of the month it is!" said Scrooge; "I don't know how long I've been among the spirits. I don't know anything. I'm quite a baby. Never mind. I don't care. I'd rather be a baby. Hallo! Whoop! Hallo here!"

He was checked in his transports by the churches ringing out the lustiest peal of bells he had ever heard. Clash, clang, hammer, ding dong, bell, Bell, dong, ding, hammer, clang clash! Oh, glorious, glorious!

Running to the window, he opened it, and put out his head. No fog, no mist; clear, bright, jovial, stirring, cold; cold, piping for the blood to dance to; golden sunlight; heavenly sky; sweet fresh air; merry bells. Oh, glorious. Glorious!

"What's today?" cried Scrooge, calling downward to a boy in Sunday clothes, who perhaps had wandered in to look about him.

"Eh?" returned the boy, with all his might of wonder.

"What's today, my fine fellow?" said Scrooge.

"To-day!" replied the boy. "Why Christmas Day."

Mr. Chadwick, Mr. R. B. Chadwick, wants a Christmas tree this year, and a Christmas dinner with not one prize turkey, even as big as the one Scrooge later in the above story with the help of the same small boy referred to, sent to Bob Cratchit's, but a lot of prize turkeys just as big and plump.

That's the worst of Mr. Chadwick when he's out in the interests of small boys and girls, "kids" generally, he never knows where to stop. Why he's just as apt to step up to you any day on the street, and if he knows you have a kind heart and a fairly well-lined pocket book, and say, "Say, don't you want to help make some of the poor little kids happy on Christmas," and touch you up for a five or a tenner, as he did me for this writ-up. A most unreasonable man, with the most unpleasantly vivid manner of painting the needs of little children with pinched faces, and blue half-frozen fingers, I think I know of. You can't give him half a chance or you're done for; and Scrooge and his spirits won't be one, two, three, with you and your child chests; if you don't come up this year with a little something for these kids of his.

It's the Children's Aid, of course, that's back of the scheme, but the Aid, so far as I am concerned walks

a real and visible being before me, when I meet on the street the bustling, dominant figure who has made it the power it is in Alberta today. Mr. Chadwick; here's to him!

And he wants that tree, and he wants that dinner, and he wants them both mighty badly. It's to be sort of a surprise party, with you as one of the surprises, and you're going to have the party in the empty store in the Wind-or-Block, and now you're asked, and you needn't say you weren't invited, and it's to take place on Christmas Eve, and every child you may know has had his case carefully investigated to see that his need is a genuine one, and your beneficence is not mis-placed. Mr. Chadwick has told me that he will undertake to do this in every instance, and what he says goes.

Perhaps you'd like to know how best you can help? In any way, of course: toys, goodies, wearing apparel, but best of all perhaps, by gold cash. Because in Mr. Chadwick's hands it will be turned into what each youngster individually most needs.

I was telling you Mr. Chadwick would ask for the moon if he knew who to apply to, and he's got some of the open-handed city merchants to promise to let him buy his goods at cost price, so you see he can purchase to better advantage than you or I. If you want to know how to make one dollar do the work of three then give it to him and he'll be delighted to demonstrate.

Now, being as you've been asked to the party, you'll please send your "surprise boxes" in to Mr. John C. McDougall, care McDougall & Secord, who has kindly undertaken to take charge of the subscriptions, and who will acknowledge your contribution in the usual way. But don't miss the party itself for worlds, because I'll prophesy you'll wake up next morning, Christmas Day, in the morning, with as mad and all-embracing a joy in your hearts, as did Scrooge on his wonderful day, when with new eyes and a new heart he looked out on life. Eyes that recognized in Tiny Tim and every small boy, children with a divine claim on him, and a new heart that found that life was glorious, and glorious mostly because it gave him the chance to do, and live for others.

So He came, and He comes, to His own, and some men receive Him not.

No room in the inn of cold hearts for those like to Him in their lot. Again do the angels look down, watching whither men's impulses tend.

In the desolate lambs of His fold the Babe to pass by or befriend. Disregarding the outward swarth will they find on each Christmas Day

Their duty, and honor, and joy, to succor the poor while they may?

Mr. Pearce is another tiresome man who has a weakness for harrowing my feelings. If he only wouldn't tell us about things in connection with his particular charity, "the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Dumb Animals," why, then we wouldn't know anything about them, and what one doesn't know, doesn't bother one, does it?

However, I intend to have company in my misery, so I'm going to tell you what he told me. It's this: Four o'clock of these bitter, winter mornings, when the wind is blowing a gale down the frozen bed of the river, or on other still, stinging-cold mornings, when you of I are tucked cozily in among our rider-down quilts and thick, soft blankets, little hands of men creep forth from their homes, hitch up their teams, and drive down the river to secure their livelihood, a load of coal, with which incidentally to keep you and me warm.

Now it's had enough surely, to have to get up in such temperatures before daybreak, but the wait each team and man has to endure at the mouth of the mine as they await their turn, is a worse feature. With never a wall for shelter, dumb animals and humans alike have to cower at the mercy of the elements, with the result very often, of frozen feet and hands and other illnesses brought on from exposure. Surely, surely, in a centre of charity such as Edmonton, at the Alberta Capital, when these facts are known, they will not for a day be permitted to continue. Some kind of shelter is all that is asked.

City, Humane Societies, mine-own-

ers, who will step forward to see that they are erected?

Other causes of complaint are the bridge, where the horses are unable to pull the loads owing to its being shovelled clear of snow, (a most insane notion) and again at the Power House, where the same conditions occur. Hauling heavy loads under such circumstances becomes work for devils, and not for poor dumb animals and men.

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The ptarmigan and eider-duck
Could not keep up with me.
I ran, I sledged, I rowed, I swam,
Through winds that froze my lids,
Across the young and ancient ice,
On hoof and keel and skids.
Upon the Great Big Nail
I hung the Stars and Stripes,
And carved "U. S." in snow,
And put the fact in pipes.

For I've been to the pole with Dr.
Cook,
And I've been to the pole with
Peary,
Come out to your own E-tuk-his-
book,
While the midnight sun is cheery!

I've brought you a cake of soap,
A parlor match and a pin,
Tomato can and ring of brass,
And half a walrus fin.
I pant, I long, I crave, I yearn,
To freeze my lips to thine,
And seal our love in draughts frapping
Of ruby Arctic wine.
Beside thine igloo door
I stand with frozen feet,
Come out, and hold my hand,
And warm my fingers, sweet!

For I've been to the Pole with Peary-
Cook,
And lived on rope and rubber.
Sweet let me in, and I'll write a book,
And you'll never want for blubber.

Thy moss-fat lamp is out,
But I am all aflame;
To berg and floe and lead and drift
And sky I call thy name.
Reporters now are at my heels;
I fain would crawl inside,
And typewrite all the notes I took
Upon a walrus hide.
I'm hired to lecture, love,
No matter what the cost,
And star in vaudeville, dear,
Below the line of frost.

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Cook,
And lived on rope and rubber.
Sweet let me in, and I'll write a book,
And you'll never want for blubber.
—Boston Globe.

A week ago this problem from the
Strand Magazine was propounded:
"Every night at 12 p.m. I wind up
my watch, giving twelve turns. Should I
forget to wind it, the watch will run
down at 6 o'clock the following morn-
ing. It occurs to me that I am over-
winding my watch, and I determine
to give only ten turns each night,
and, commencing to do so on a
Monday night. Will the watch run
down, and, if so, when?" Note:
Turns in winding are all of equal
value."

The correct solution is as follows:
The watch, of course, always has
six hours in hand. The problem
states: "Every night I wind my watch,
giving twelve turns." If every night
twelve turns are required each turn
carries it twelve hours, and therefore,
ten turns on Monday night carries it
for twenty hours to eight o'clock
Tuesday evening, and six hours in
hand equals two o'clock on Wednes-
day morning. Ten winds on Wednes-
day evening and two hours in hand
equals ten o'clock on Wednesday eve-
ning, when the watch runs down."

Pipe Dream of the Inventor.
("Toronto is to be steam heated
from central plant."—News item.)

No more I need to shovel coal,
I simply turn the valve around,
And here you are. You'd like an ice?
Oh, we're refrigerated too.
From central plant. 'Tis time to eat!
We set us at the board and press
A button, and there issues forth
From out the wall, all piping hot
A dainty meal. (We lately got
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The coffee tap is at your right.
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Now smell you not the fresh sea
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("Twas then that the inventor woke
And found his cigarette was out.)

The caddie followed him around the
course silently, solemnly, but not un-
observant. Their wake behind was
marked by scars and gashes in the
turf. At length he ventured on a
tentative remark: "Ye'll be a stranger-
er to some parts maybe?"
"Well, not exactly a stranger."
Whirr-whirr-swish. And one more
gash appeared as a lump of turf soared
aloft and came down fifty yards
away. "You see," the golfer conclud-
ed, "I was born here, but I have been
away many years. All my folks are
buried hereabouts."
"I doot ye'll no' go deep eno' with
your driver," remarked the caddie,
"ye'd better tak' your iron."—Liver-
pool Post.

They had sat for hours in the dim
parlor, in the eloquent communion
of soul with soul that needs no articu-
late sound to give it speech. Yet
something at last impelled young
Percival to speak.
"Laura," he said, an eager, rest-
less yearning in his gaze, "may I ask
a favor of you?"
"What is it, Percy?" she cooed.
"It may involve some sacrifice,
Laura," he warned her. "But be-
lieve me, it is for the best."
"What is it?" she repeated, in a
voice that trembled, as with vague
forebodings of coming danger.
"Believe me, dearest," he continued
with an intonation becoming every
moment more uncontrollable, "be-
lieve me when I say I am driven to
it by circumstances over which I
have no jurisdiction. I have pondered
long, and act on no hasty impulse."

"Yes—yes!" exclaimed the beauti-
ful girl, with quivering lips. "What
is it you ask, Percy, what is it?"
"Darling," he said, and the wild,
impelling look upon his face thrilled
to the inmost depths of her being.
"I wish you would sit on my other
knee now. You are so light weight
and this one is getting horribly tired."

Here is a story told in newspaper
columns. One day a certain editor
became conscious that some one was
standing near his desk. Looking
round, his glance fell upon a sly
looking individual with the eyes of a
crank.
"I beg your pardon," said the new-
comer, "but is there an openin' here
for a first class intellectual writer?"
"Yes," grimly responded the editor.
"An ingenious carpenter, foreseeing
your visit, has provided an excellent
opening. Turn the knob to the right,
and do not slam the door as you go
out."

Mr. Jackson, who had but recent-
ly moved into the suburb, knew his
neighbors on either side by sight only,
and consequently on a cold night,
when his home caught fire, he was
surprised by the alacrity with which
they came to render their assist-
ance.

"I say," Jackson cried excitedly to
his right-hand neighbor, "will you run
down to the corner and ring the
alarm?"

"I'm awfully sorry, sir," the man
the man answered, "but I have a
game leg and can't run."

"While I am getting some of the
things out, will you yell 'Fire' said
Jackson, turning to the other man.

"Got laryngitis and can't yell," said
the other in a stage whisper.
Jackson gasped; but, pulling him-
self together, he exclaimed:
"Well, both of you go into the

house and pull out easy chairs, then
sit down and enjoy the fire."

Here's a new subject for debate at
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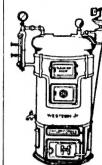
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Mrs. Roach entertained at tea on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. C. Kinniburgh received on Tuesday afternoon, and will not receive again until the New Year.

Mrs. Burton Atkinson has returned from Medicine Hat.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Lyner, Carstairs, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alf. Cameron. They expect to move to Edmonton, where Mr. Lyner has business interests.

The Girls' Auxiliary met on Wednesday at the home of their honorary president, Mrs. Robertson. This will be the closing meeting of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Arbuthnot Stringer announce the engagement of their daughter, Elsie Grame, to Charles Hemburg, of this city. The marriage will take place at an early date.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Carswell, Plattsburg, Ont., visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Carson, this week on their way east. They expect to return to the west and will make their future home at Lamont, Alta.

The Busy Bee Sewing Circle was entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Stranahan. Among those present were Mrs. Krouse, Mrs. Treiner, Mrs. Wolforth, Mrs. Chritchley, Mrs. Lehr, Mrs. Chase and Mrs. Wheeler.

Mrs. S. T. Magee, W. C. Magee, and daughter, Miss Magee left on Tuesday for Parkland, where they attended the wedding on Wednesday of Miss E. Thompson, daughter of G. B. Thompson, to Mr. J. Wilson, also of Parkland, Alta.

Mrs. Colonel Walker left for the east this week, and will be absent about three or four months. She is accompanied by her son, and will make an extensive tour of the Atlantic coast cities, the Bermudas, and may possibly go down to South America.

Among the guests at the O. U. R. club this week, which met at Mrs. A. M. Shaver's were: Mrs. May, Mrs. Bennock, Mrs. Hayden, Mrs. Binning, Mrs. Astley, Mrs. Guernsey, Mrs. Hutton, Mrs. Suffer, Mrs. McKillop, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. McFarland, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. McMullen, Mrs. Padden and Mrs. Dunlop.

Las Friday evening the Presbyterian home missionary society held a book shower. Mrs. Lawson's residence, Fourth avenue west.

The hostess extended a gracious word of welcome to each guest and a very pleasant evening was spent with music and singing.

During the evening refreshments were served. The table looked very inviting with its beautiful white cloth and rich centre, upon which stood a huge vase of chrysanthemums. Mrs. Herdman and Mrs. Mitchell presided and poured tea and coffee, while Mrs. Blow, Mrs. Carson, and the Misses McArthur, Footie, and Gault served the refreshments. Two hundred books were donated for a library for one of the mission stations in Alberta.

A delightful impatience has, since the issuing of the invitations, manifested itself among those who have this year been favored with cards to "The Assemblies." The tenth of the month has been set as the date of the first of these charming hops, while New Year's Eve has been chosen for the second, the other dates being January 14 and February 4. The attendance at the assemblies last year proved them, the most popular of functions, while this year it is expected that the invitation list will merely represent the names of "those who were present." It will be well for all those holding cards, and desiring to subscribe, to communicate with Mrs. C. W. Rowley at once. This request is particularly made by the committee in order that they may complete their final arrangements.

Mrs. Spencer, nee Miss Smierle, of Ottawa, held her post-nuptial reception on Thursday, December 2. She received with her aunt, Mrs. Stewart, at her beautiful home on Sixth avenue west. The stately bride looked charming in a pink silk crepe de chine gown, with garniture of satin, and rich lace, while Mrs. Stewart was handsome in a champagne satin costume, neatly trimmed with silk net and Persian applique.

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and gold colors, with numerous ferns and palms, made the already pretty reception rooms cosy and dainty.

Mr. Spence lent his kindly assistance in receiving with Mrs. Stewart, who had a gracious word of welcome for each of her numerous guests. Petite Anna Kavanagh clad in a sweet little frock of pale blue, waited at the door and ushered in the many friends who enjoyed the pleasure thus afforded.

Parkland House, the home of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Thompson, of Parkland, Alta., was the scene of a very pretty event on Wednesday, in the marriage of the second daughter Margaret Ethel, to John G. Wilson.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Leslie, of Staveland. The bride wore a pretty point despit gown, with valencienes lace and fine embroidery trimmings and carried a shower of white roses. The bride was unattended and was given away by her father. Her going away gown was a tailored suit in royal grape shade with hat to match.

Among the annual events when the pleasure of anticipation and realization are on a par, the Old Timers' ball, can be designated. This splendid social evening had its origin last year and was, through the entire season, a feature of special interest. To eclipse the first one would be almost an impossibility and yet the celebration of Tuesday evening carried off the laurels in many ways.

People of all ages set business cares aside and joined the merry throng of about four hundred and fifty guests, old and young alike participating in the varied pleasures of the evening. Those who felt that they could no longer enjoy the merry whirl of the lively and exciting dance, took equal pleasure out of a friendly game of cards or sat relating the vivid and exciting experiences of the days when the buffalo roamed the plains. The music was furnished by Bagley's orchestra and received the highest praise for its excellence. The sumptuous supper was delectably served, the table adornments being yellow and white chrysanthemums. The decorations throughout the hall were prettily arranged the flags and bunting mingling artistically with the green foliage through which peered the numerous incandescent lights.

Colonel Walker, and Mrs. Walker, graciously received the numerous guests.

Mrs. Walker looked lovely and dignified in mauve silk with rich trimmings.

Mrs. Loughheed wore a very attractive creation of cream lace over satin with lace and net finishings.

Mrs. Grogan, very graciously played several extras, which were much appreciated by the joyous throng of merry dancers. Mrs. Grogan looked exceedingly well in a perfectly fitting costume of ivory satin with exquisite silk and silver finishings.

Mrs. Lane, in a very becoming costume of black corded silk.

Mrs. Spaulding, a fashionable gown of light silk.

Miss Kerr looked lovely in a flowered silk mull gown over pink silk with dainty lace and satin finishings.

Mrs. R. Bell, in an old rose moire silk.

Mrs. Burns in a princess gown of ashes of roses silk with touches of black.

Miss Hardisty (Edmonton) in a pale blue mousseline de soie.

Mrs. Stringer, in pink silk mull.

Mrs. J. J. Young, in a very handsome gown of white satin with sequin and pearl trimmings.

Mrs. Newbold, in blue silk with Persian trimmings and dainty lace.

Mrs. Jamieson, in royal grape crepe de chine.

Mrs. Patrick, in a magnificent deep cream satin costume with touches of gold.

Mrs. P. Burns, very beautiful in a rich lace gown over pale blue satin.

Mrs. Nolan looked particularly well in black silk with rich lace and applique trimmings.

Miss Young, very lovely in a green silk poplin which hung in graceful lines, and trimmed with lace and gold finishings.

Miss Cardell, in old rose lace over satin embroidered in gold sequins.

Mrs. Green in pink satin.

Mrs. McCullough, in cream crepe de chine, over pale blue satin with gold touches.

Miss Cameron, in cream point despit, over white silk.

Mrs. Harris, coin spotted lace over silk with touches of yellow.

Mrs. Graham was much admired in blue silk.

Mrs. Cross, very handsome in black lace over satin.

Mrs. Macdonald wore a pretty pink silk with dainty lace trimmings.

Miss Mollie Burns, in a chic costume of flowered muslin.

Miss Ellis, in pretty cream voile.

Miss Barber in blue taffeta.

Mrs. Townsend, in a becoming four-laid silk.

Miss Muckleston in pink taffeta.

Miss Costello, in old rose silk.

Mrs. Macdonald, in the richest of duchesse satin.

Mrs. Reilly, in champagne silk with delicate touches of pink.

Miss Lane, in mousseline de soie over pink taffeta.

Miss Sinclair, pretty and girlish in light green silk.

Miss Bailey in black sily embroidered in gold sequins.

Mrs. Gillis, in black lace over silk with sequin trimmings.

Mrs. Woolley-Dod, very attractive in grey minon de soie.

Mrs. Cyril King, in a white duchesse satin, with beautiful pearl trimmings and rich lace.

Mrs. MacKid, in crimson silk.

Mrs. Strierr in royal grape crepe de chine.

Mrs. McKillop (Vancouver) in a cream silk, embroidered in sequins.

Mrs. Thompson in black velvet.

Mrs. Campbell, in a crimson duchesse satin, with rich finishings.

Mrs. Leeson, in black silk.

Mrs. Buchanan in a pretty princess of pale blue silk.

Miss Leeson looked lovely in an Empire gown of white satin.

Mrs. D. G. Young, in a very becoming gown of old rose silk with cream lace and net yoke and sleeves.

Mrs. Bagley, very handsome in black silk.

Mrs. Hatfield in black silk.

Mrs. Griffiths, in black silk with touches of gold.

Mrs. Tregillus, in mauve satin.

Miss Jean McLeod, very pretty in black lace over silk.

Mrs. Tennant in a sequin gown over green satin.

Mrs. Allan in a rich lace over satin.

Miss Fletcher, in a broadened frock of pink taffeta.

Miss Sparrow, in a perfectly fitting gown of pale blue colienne.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor of the Saturday News:

Dear Sir—

I earnestly hope that the citizens of Edmonton will show their appreciation of faithful service by rolling up a large vote in favor of Ald. G. S. Armstrong, who is a candidate for re-election in the present contest. Ald. Armstrong was elected two years ago as a member of the east end ticket, but while he has not in any sense neglected the interests of that part of the city, he has shown himself too big a man to let sectional considerations influence his course. I have followed his career in the council very closely and have been struck by the broad-minded spirit which he has displayed throughout. He has been a constant attendant at all meetings and no trouble has been too great for him to go to in order to acquaint himself with the various problems that the council has to face. The grasp which he has of these was shown in the speeches which he delivered this week at the German Club Hall and at Norwood. If some of our affairs are in a muddled state, it is because we have not sufficiently applied the principle of expert management. This is a corner-stone of Ald. Armstrong's policy. He is particularly anxious to see it applied to the street railway. He is a thorough believer in municipal ownership and wishes the latter to be given the best chance possible. This can only be obtained by such a course as he indicates. No matter how beautiful a theory it may be, it doesn't count for much if it is not worked out properly in practice.

Only four of the ten men whose names will go on the ballot papers can be elected. One of the four should without question be Ald. Armstrong, and I, for one, would like to see him at the top of the poll.

Yours respectfully,

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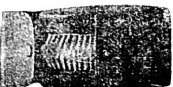
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IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD



The Return

When Johnny went away to school he rigidly conformed to rule.

At first he joined a college frat, and lost an arm and leg in that.

And then he made the Delta Phi, who gouged out one of Johnny's eyes.

A "rush" that launched the college year. Deprived him of a useful ear.

He was so good and glad to please. That Johnny made the team with ease.

He left a hand at Cleveland, O.—A kneecap at St. Louis, Mo.;

His sternum cracked at Baltimore—Sterred his nose at Portland, Ore.

At every contest, win or yield, He left a portion on the field.

Thus gradually he was bereft. Till little of the boy was left.

We got his baggage home by rail—The rest of Johnny came by mail.—John D. Wells in Buffalo News.

A private letter received by the writer from the sporting editor of a leading eastern daily says that everyone is agreed that the University of Toronto team which virtually won the Canadian championship by the great 31-7 victory over the Ottawa Rough Riders, is the greatest football aggregation in the history of the game, as played in Canada. Lawson, Varsity's centre half, is said to combine the best in Counsell and Gleason, the giants of a decade ago, with the strength and accuracy of the one and the speed of the other. Those who followed the game in those days will feel that they are not so old after all when they read that George Kennedy and "King" Clancy are still to the fore for Ottawa.

Taken all in all, there is no finer game than our Canadian Rugby. It isn't any kindergarten amusement but those who participate do not undertake the risks that follow the game as played across the line. Here was one recent list of fatalities for a single Saturday:

Harvard-West Point game.—Cadet Byrne, of Buffalo, neck broken. Died.
Buckner, Mo., game.—Roy Spryback, Indian student, fractured head. Died.
Philadelphia College-Medico Chicago game.—Michael Burke, fractured skull. Died.
Up to that time the season had shown seven deaths and these injuries:
Broken collar bones 22
Broken legs 25
Broken noses 16
Broken ankles 9
Broken ribs 8
Broken shoulders 7
Broken arms 6
Broken wrist 6
Broken hand 1
Broken jaws 2

The Chicago Record-Herald said the other day: "With the presidents of four of the leading western colleges enlisted in a fight to eliminate brutal football, the more received fresh impetus yesterday. That the gridiron game of the present day is doomed for a sudden overhauling, was the stand maintained by four prominent educationalists. Sentiment urging an immediate revision of the mode of play was received from President Johnson of the University of Chicago, President Cyrus Northing of Minnesota, President Vanhook of Wisconsin and Chancellor Samuel Avery of the University of Nebraska. That the sport is fast becoming a menace to the life and limb of all participants is the opinion of educators.

On the local gridirons three victims were added to the list of injured. Captain Blunkhorn of the Morton Grove team was borne from the field, having fractured his collar bone during a fierce scrimmage. James Sullivan, of the Panther Athletic club fractured three ribs, and Bruce of the same team, dislocated his shoulder.

"The Rider and Driver" in Winnipeg Town Topics, has this to say of a former Edmontonian:

Mr. Campbell Strang, of this city, has purchased what I am told by a gentleman who has seen it, is one of the finest saddle horses ever bred in the west. This is a thoroughbred chestnut gelding, eight years old, and standing 16 1/2.

The horse is a product of the well known Orono ranch near Calgary, and sired by the equally well known imported English stallion, Eagle's Plume. He had been rather intractable as a four year old, and attempts to break him not to riding successfully, was allowed to roam the range until a year or so ago, when he was sold to Mr. Jack Gartschore at Calgary. Mr. Gartschore is a finished horseman particularly accomplished in the matter of "making" green horses for the saddle. He took his new purchase to a ranch in the vicinity of Gleichen and returned with him not many weeks later a perfectly finished specimen of a saddle horse.

Mr. Strang wired for the gelding to be shipped last week, so it is probable that by this time he has arrived here. He will be kept at the private club stables on Smith street.

Lester Patrick has agreed to act as manager-captain of the Edmonton hockey team and will either coach him a speedy lot of players, which later in the season is expected to make a successful trip east for the Stanley Cup. Judging by last year's showing, particularly in the second Stanley Cup game, Edmonton should have on the grounds already a team which with a proper season's training, should prove superior to anything else that the hockey world has to offer just at present.

The following English players leave for South Africa this month under the auspices of the Marylebone Cricket Club: H. D. G. Leveson-Gower (Surrey), captain; F. L. Fane, (Essex), G. H. Simpson-Hayward (Worcestershire), Captain E. G. Wynyard (Hampshire), M. C. Bird, (Surrey), N. C. Tufnell (Cambridge University), Hobbs (Surrey), Strudwick (Surrey), P. E. Woolley (Kent), G. J. Thompson (Northamptonshire), Denton, (Yorkshire), Rhodes (Yorkshire), Blythe (Kent), and Buckenham (Essex). Five in the list—Hobbs, Woolley, Thompson, Rhodes and Blythe—played for England against Australia this year. The South African tour will last until the middle of March.

MR. TRETHEWAY'S CAREER

The following from Toronto Saturday Night refers to a man well-known in Edmonton, although the part which he played in the early days of this city's real estate activity is not mentioned.

W. G. Tretheway, who discovered the famous mine at Cobalt which bears his name, and also its neighbor the Coniagats, but who now pursues the quiet life of a gentleman farmer on his model farm at Weston, Ontario, has probably cleaned up more cold cash out of Canada's unrecalled silver area, than any other man who ever planted foot in the camp. Some may remark that he has been exceptionally lucky, but Mr. Tretheway, like most other people, has had his full quota of ups and downs. He learned the trade of a steam-fitter, but has played every part in the mining game from grubstaker to a squatter. Nearly twenty years ago he was dangerously near the millionaire class several times but did not know it. He lacked the nerve.

In 1890 he was offered a half interest for \$300 in the famous Le Roy gold mine in British Columbia. The property had just been discovered, and was not regarded as very promising. Later it was sold for nearly three million dollars. That same year Mr. Tretheway had another gift of good opportunity. An impetuous American military man, who had just erected a shack at Trail, B.C., and dished out pork and beans to the miners, said one day: "Look here, Tretheway! I own 300 acres of townsite here, and if you will pay the mining license fee—one dollar per acre—I will give you a half interest in the whole business."

The young man had the necessary amount in his pocket at the time, but he hesitated and lost. Just think what owning half the property in the busy, thriving town of Trail would mean today! It was fourteen years later that Mr. Tretheway, while prospecting, discovered the famous properties in Cobalt which made him a millionaire.

WHAT THE PRESS AGENTS SAY

Another Brilliant Bill at Empire

With a most spectacular animal act as the feature attraction at the Empire next week, the programme as arranged by Manager Kyle is another combination of the first class standard. Petrol's Circus, late of the Hagenback-Wallace shows, is the headline attraction, and their offering is said to be something new and entirely different from all others of the kind. An interesting and amusing act for both children and adults, it has been one of the sensations of the circus season.

The following is a newspaper clipping about the act presented by the Jones Williams' Trio. "The English comedy playlet, 'Crushed Strawberry' presented by the Jones Williams Co., was a scream from start to finish. The story is of a three months' new wed, who neglecting to go home one evening found himself at a fancy ball. While there he meets a masked beauty 'Crushed Strawberry' who declines to give her name. The next evening after a series of telegrams, the poor 'Timothy' sends his wife off in a wild goose chase and 'Crushed Strawberry' appears on the scene looking for her lost lock. The wife then puts in an appearance, and then follows a series of complications that no one can appreciate until seen."

Mills and Flynn, two charming minstrel girls will appear in a number of singing and dancing selections done in black face.

Good comedy acrobatic acts have always won favor with Empire patrons, and this end of the bill will be ably taken care of by Clotie and Montrose a team of comedy acrobats, that have won an enviable reputation in the larger cities of the states.

West and Elliot, eccentric dancing and singing comedians round out the bill.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

In the account of the forming of a Horticultural Society in Edmonton in last week's issue the name of Mr. Walter Ramsay, President, was inadvertently left out and for which we owe him an apology.

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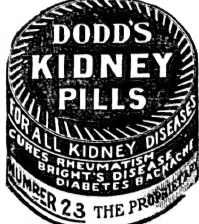
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The Coming of the Barr Colony

One of the party goes back in memory to the events of the spring of 1903.

In the course of an article in the Lloydminster Times, Mr. R. B. Thompson indulges in these reminiscences of a striking event in Western Canadian history:

In memory I go back to the spring of 1903—May—when the Barr colonists from England, came over the two hundred miles of trail from Saskatoon, and went into camp in tents on ground just north of where the town now stands. Probably eighteen hundred reached here of the over two thousand which sailed from Liverpool. Some had remained at live-points; a few had become weak-hearted and turned back on the trail, but the majority had pushed right on through the snow and slush of a wet and backward spring, and thus came to the promised land. How truly Anglo-Saxon the colonizers of the world? Think of it! Hundreds of delicately reared women and children, fresh from the comforts of English homes, walking for two hundred miles through mud and slush to the ankles behind a yoke of oxen, making probably ten miles a day. And when they reached their destination, what? How often were the words "Promised Land" said in derision? Short of food, no adequate supply of clothing, no farm implements with which to till the soil and no knowledge (in many cases) of the tilling process if they had had the implements. There were many, very many grounders, some shirkers, but there were many more of stout heart, and the faith that this far-off western land would make good what had been promised in its name. A few had farmed in the Old Land, but the conditions here were so different. However, they would learn. A few others, years before, had farmed for a time in Manitoba, afterwards returning to the Home Land. But the call of the ever-expanding West had been too strong, so now that they were here they would get down to work, and also teach their neighbors what they themselves knew.

The Fight On.

So they threw off their coats and buckled in. All of them who were qualified selected their homesteads and the fight was on. Of how many and bitter were the disappointments, how many the hardships endured by these peopled the world will never know. They can tell of them now with a smile and a joke, but not so then. No sooner would one difficulty be met than another would take its place. In time the provisions came, the implements came, and so much crop was in. But something else came also. It was an early frost, and one year's work was for naught. But in the course of time the Canadians and Americans, more used to the western farming methods, came in and settled among them. These were ever ready to give to their neighbors what knowledge they had. Then came the railroad bringing with it thousands of homestead seekers from all over the American continent and the old lands.

Strange Bedfellows

And what good feeling was prevalent through it all. Of the homestead adjoining that of an ex-London broker was settled a down east Yankee with a twang that would make your teeth ache. The nearest neighbor of the son of an American millionaire and a Yale graduate was (and is) an ex-costermonger from the cultured district of Whitechapel, whose proudest boast is that he is a distant kinsman of Jack the Ripper. But now things are getting down to a business basis and soon the crops he began to come. Some of them were good, some were fair, some were bad, but all the time the soil was getting broken up, the earth was warping, and conditions were getting generally better. Then on top of it all comes the bumper crop of this year—a crop of which they are talking in Toronto and writing from Chicago enquiries about.

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that these very Americans are taking out their naturalization papers every day; and they are beginning to remember that George Washington was a British subject, born in the Old Land; that Paul Jones, (the father of the American navy) did not leave England until he was twenty-five years old; that their own ancestors only a few generations ago were British subjects. And we do not remind them of these things either, for we know that a people as clever as they either know them now or will soon find them out. In time they will come to see that our limited monarchical form of government is the most perfect Democracy on earth. And that our courts of law are (we hope) incorruptible. Then in talking these matters over with them we will frankly admit that the liking the American colonists gave their parent England was the very best thing that ever struck her. Now in course of time, the children of these same people will recite in chorus with our children:

"Old England, thy name shall yet warrant thy fame.
If the browns of the foeman shall scowl,
Let the lion be stirred by a too daring word;
Then beware of his echoing growl.
We have more of the breed of the man and the steed,
That won bravely our Waterloo wreath.
We have more of the blood that formed Inverman's flood,
As it poured in its whirlpool of death,
We have jackets as blue, still as dawnless and true.
As the tars that hold Nelson led on Give them room on the main, and they'll show you again.
How the Nile and Trafalgar were won.
Let a ball show its teeth, let a blade leave its sheath,
To defy the proud strength of our might—
We have iron-mouthed guns, we have steel-hearted sons,
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Our ships and our sailors are kings of the wave.
Neath the Red Cross of England, the Flag of the Brave."

A Minister's Mistake

A city minister not long ago made a somewhat hasty arrangement to call that evening and marry a young couple. At the hour agreed upon he went to the house, the street and number of which he had written in his note-book. There were no indications of festivity about the house but this fact did not greatly surprise the minister, since he had been told that it was to be a very quiet wedding. He rang the bell, and when a maid opened, he walked in, saying:

"I believe I am expected here

this evening. Will you kindly say to the family that I am here?"

He then pushed aside the portiere hangings between the hall and the parlor, and found himself in the presence of a somewhat embarrassed young couple sitting on a sofa in the hall-light.

"Good evening," said the minister blandly. "I am on time, I believe. Eight o'clock, I think, was the hour set for the ceremony?"

"Why the marriage ceremony, to be sure! Are you not the young couple who are to be united in the holy bonds of matrimony this evening?"

To the amazement of the minister, the young lady uttered a shriek and fled from her room, while the young man turned scarlet.

"Have I made a mistake?" asked the embarrassed parson, as he hastily drew forth his note-book. "No," he added, "I was to come to No. 236 this street, and—"

"But this is No. 237," interrupted the young man, "No. 236 is across the street."

"Oh, I beg your pardon! I beg your pardon, a thousand times," exclaimed the minister, as he hastily retreated.

He lingered on the door-step to add to the profuse apologies he had already made to the young man, who had followed him to the door, and it was something of a relief to have the young man say:

"It is all right, parson. I was just racking my brain to think of something to kind of open the way for me to ask that young lady a question that will lead up to a wedding in this house, soon, if it is answered the way I hope it will be, and you have helped me out wonderfully. It will be as easy as rolling off a log to say what I want to say now. I am much obliged to you!"—Ram's Horn.

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A Weekly Tale of Two Cities

It took a long while for the municipal pot to start boiling, but it is doing so in earnest for the week intervening between nomination and election day. The mayoralty contest developed in a peculiar way. No one was particularly well satisfied with the way in which the affairs of the municipality had been conducted during the past year, but there was a disposition nevertheless to give Mayor Lee a second term. The general principle involved is a good one. It takes some time for a man to learn the ropes and twelve months is altogether too short a period in which he can carry out any broad policies. Therefore while the average man was prepared to admit that Mayor Lee's administration had been very far from what it should have been, he would undoubtedly have been given another chance, if he had stated at a reasonably early date that he was to be a candidate for re-election. But instead of that, he declared not once, but repeatedly, that he would not stand. Ald. Manson, who had been a prominent figure at the council board for four years and was in natural line of succession, received personal assurance from the Mayor, in addition to that which the latter had given the newspapers, that he could not be persuaded to devote himself to the duties of the office for another year. Accordingly Ald. Manson took the field. But on Friday night, at the close of the annual civic meeting, to the surprise of everyone who was not in the confidence of those who were planning what we suppose, should be called, in the language of statecraft, the "coup," a resolution was sprung calling on Mayor Lee to run again. Still more surprising was his action in consenting to do so.

Under these circumstances it was hardly to be expected that Ald. Manson or any man with a grain of sand in him would retire from the field. So both were placed in nomination on Monday and a brisk fight was on.

When Mayor Lee was asked what led him to make the switch, he made this statement in an interview:

"I had decided to retire, as I several times announced, but in the face of last night's meeting, I could do nothing else but accept the wishes of the meeting. The meeting appeared to be almost unanimous that I should offer for re-election, and if I did not take heed to their wishes it would be almost an insult."

It is argued that the discussion of the circumstances which brought Mayor Lee and Ald. Manson into the field should not be considered, that it is not in the city's interests to let any feeling of sympathy for the latter bedevil the issue, which is simply this: Which of the two candidates is best qualified, by training and general capacity, to discharge the onerous duties which devolve upon the head of the civic administration? But is not one qualification that it is very essential that a mayor should have, decision of character? The preliminary chapter to the mayoralty contest shows that the present mayor, whatever may be his other virtues, is singularly lacking in this and the leverage selector is hardly to be blamed for paying considerable attention to the incidents we have related in his efforts to size the two men up.

There was absolutely no excuse for the mayor's action on Friday night. He had plenty of time to make up his mind long before. What was supposed to be his decision he had not given in any casual way. It was formally announced in the public press, and repeated once, twice, three times. In the interval there had been no developments of great importance which could affect his determination and make him stay by the post. He did so simply because a number of people were organized to go to the civic meeting and ask him to stand again. Now, the mayor says it would have been an insult to refuse them. Why would it have been more of an insult than it was when he was asked to run two or three weeks before? Every year strong pressure is brought to bear on citizens of exceptional qualifications to stand for the mayoralty. When they refuse, for personal reasons, do they insult those who make the request of them? Mayor Lee's statement approaches the ridiculous.

All this has considerable weight in determining our choice. But, of course, it is not sufficient in itself. The selector should assure himself what kind of a man Ald. Manson is. We find that for years he has taken a very active and intelligent part in the affairs of the council. When he first stood for alderman, he polled a very large vote, standing second on

the list, and when he went back for re-election, he was at the head of the poll. He has all kinds of energy, is a clear thinker on all public questions and thoroughly practical in all his ideas. The affairs of the city are not in good shape in several of the departments. One has only to read the reports of the meetings of the week to find out how much bungling has been done in connection with the administration of our public utilities. Better business methods must be introduced. The crying need is the securing of more expert management. Considering the amount of our investment we have been trying to get along with too cheap men as our permanent officials. Ald. Manson has the right ideas in regard to the remedies that it is necessary to apply, and we are of the opinion that if he is given a chance as the director in chief of city affairs, he will be able to bring about very considerable reforms.

A very much better choice of aldermanic candidates is offered than was at first thought likely. Of Mr. James D. Hyndman's election there should be no doubt. The city cannot afford to turn down a man of his character when he offers himself. His declaration at the Norwood meeting for a progressive parks policy is of particular interest. There is a fine chance to make a record in that field and Mr. Hyndman will not fail to take advantage of it.

Ald. Geo. S. Armstrong is the only retiring member of the council who is seeking re-election as alderman of that body, and should be returned.

Mr. E. Withinslaw is another man who should make a useful place for himself at the council board. Mr. Fred W. Brown needs no introduction to the Edmonton public. He is putting up a spirited campaign. Mr. John Yuill, Mr. E. S. Mathers, Mr. Andrew H. Allan and Mr. John H. Millar and Mr. E. J. Taylor complete the list. Ald. D. R. Fraser was nominated, but retired. Mr. Allan, when a candidate three years ago, was criticized in The Saturday News because of an utterance of his, which was assumed to show unfriendliness towards the Board of Trade. Mr. Allan states that he was misrepresented. He criticized certain methods being followed but has the utmost sympathy with that organization, which he recognizes is doing very valuable work for the city.

It is gratifying to find such an excellent class of citizens offering for the school board. Mr. A. T. Cushing, Mr. P. E. Butchart, Mr. J. St. Clair Blackett and Dr. W. D. Ferris are all well qualified for the very important duties that devolve on the trustees. The three to be elected should come from this group.

Mr. H. M. Martin and Mr. J. J. Cashman are separate school trustees by acclamation.

In Strathcona Mayor Duggan and Ald. Richards and Ald. Cahler have been elected by acclamation, contests

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Dr. Samuel Johnson's Bi-Centenary

A week or two ago, literary cults, the world over, emulated each other in doing panegyric honours to that Goliath of the eighteenth century English literature, Dr. Samuel Johnson. Yet it is a regrettable fact that outside the immediate circle of students and scholars, comparatively few people have any close acquaintance with this author, whose Dictionary alone has served to immortalize his name.

I may be mistaken, and I hope I am, but I cannot help thinking that the modern desire for the effervescent sensationalism, so common to current fiction, is a significant sign of the times. The masters of style whose polished narrations provide food for thought, have not their proportionate place in our periods of literary recreations. How is this? Are we less serious than our ancestors? Is life more of a play, thing to us? Is it possible that the sordid and never ending quest for wealth has so congested our mental faculties that all we can appreciate is the passing thrill of an exaggerated love scene or the momentary intoxication, incident to the elucidation of a sex problem? What is it that occasions our abnormal appetite for shabby literary food I do not propose to say. The cause is not worth discussing when we know the cure, and the responsibility of arresting the disorder devolves upon our teachers, editors and other leaders of thought who too long have been tolerant of that mental prostitution associated with present public reading.

The Johnsonian Societies are accomplishing some meritorious work along these lines, while at the same time they are keeping

fresh the memory of a good man and a great "literateur."

Dr. Johnson was born during the year 1709 and reared in a bookish atmosphere. While nominally acting as an assistant in his father's book store, he was really storing his mind with that varied knowledge obtained from desultory reading.

It has been said that a genuine desire for the pleasures of literature is born with a man. In a sense this is so, yet it must be granted that it is possible to cultivate even in mature years, a taste for reading, although these who appreciate the keenest enjoyment in an intellectual companionship with the massive minds of great authors are those who even in boyhood days found their chief delight in good books.

The militant and aggressive spirit of young Johnson could not long remain cramped behind a store counter so when comparatively young he changed the bookseller's life for the glitter and pageantry of Oxford University. Of his academic life little is known beyond the fact that his wealth of information made a profound impression upon those who taught him. Johnson's temperament, however, was not suited to the pursuit of scientific and mathematical subjects and he completed his courses without securing a degree. This action was characteristic of his sturdy independence for then as now it was an offence savoring somewhat of an unpardonable sin for a man to breathe the sacred air of a college quadrangle and depart without that certificate of erudition, a scholastic degree.

Pardon the digression but it is not matter for regret that this same narrow spirit is still much in evidence and many brilliant men have suffered in their public life because they treated with a healthy disregard some superfluous

affix incident to a college education. Any plodder can graduate, but this does not necessarily mean that he is a cleverer man than his class mate who has chosen to dispense with college embroideries.

Soon after leaving Oxford, Johnson married, and although his wife possessed a comfortable fortune, this was lost in an attempt to establish a private school. It was at this time that he made the acquaintance of David Garrick, the afterwards famous tragedian, who in fact was one of the three pupils Johnson secured. Failure did not quench the confidence of the great writer for the next year we see him in the stormy sea of London literary life struggling for a foothold on the shores of success.

It was a Titanic fight, the bitterness of blighted hopes seared his soul, but left undaunted his determination to command success.

The tragedy "Irene" brought him a mere pittance, for Garrick, who had promised to stage it, ultimately refused to do so, and this child of Johnson's massive intellect went begging for adoption.

Like many another famous author Johnson laid the foundation of his future fame as a "Special Article" writer. The pages of the "Gentleman's Magazine," a well known London Review was the field in which he compelled public attention and a recognition of his worth; so much so that his "Biography of a Savage," written during his connection with the periodical named, was eagerly anticipated and widely read. Reputation is the golden key to the treasure house of fame and Johnson's experience in this regard was not different to others of his kind. The commission to compile his Dictionary was the first fruits of a well merited endorsement of real ability. In this work Johnson threw all the power of a well-

stocked mind, and amid much sorrow aggravated by bodily sickness, he labored for seven years before the undertaking was completed. A century has passed since the reading world first hailed the work; others of a more advanced type have in a measure superseded it, yet there are few who have not a friendly regard for the familiar 'Johnson's Dictionary' and who have not at some time or other found in its pages relief from "orthographical" doubt and "adjective aberration."

Following his dictionary Johnson produced the "Rambler" in addition to a philosophical romance called "Rasselas." Experts have placed the former as the acme of literary style and as a dialectic on moral philosophy, the latter is difficult to equal. "The Lives of the Poets" is another well known Johnsonian work recognized as an English classic. Not only is it of historical value but as a criterion of style and cultured criticism, it has been the model for not a few modern authors whose books are synonymous with all that is grand in the literary art. In 1762 the British Government granted Johnson a yearly pension, of £300, which reward was well deserved. Now relieved from the spectre of poverty, he completed his edition of Shakespeare, a task which he had ever been ambitious of achieving.

It was about this stage of Johnson's career that he became the central figure in that circle of well known men of letters and among whom were Goldsmith, Burke, Boswell, Reynolds and Gibbon. What a group it was! What brilliant passages of wit and epigram were passed around the festive board! But of all the men who formed the circle none could match Johnson as a conversationalist, indeed his powers in this direction have never

excelled in the history of the English tongue.

An analysis of the man, apart from his work is by no means an easy matter, and Johnson's character had so many seeming contradictions that detractors or exaggerations are likely to be made. He was often narrow, sometimes violently sectarian, but withal he had strong and sincere sympathies. His genial and generous nature viewed the world's great heart of sorrow with deep pity. He could hate hard and love strong, and was not afraid to show either passion. His personality was powerful, and Boswell, his biographer, has perpetuated this so successfully that to day Johnson is a living rather than a remote influence.

When in 1784 he died, the world lost a great man, a deep thinker, and one who though presenting a rough exterior had within him the soul of a mystic who saw in this life the shadow of a fuller and less limited existence where rewards are measured by circum stances and rest is obtained in eternal work.

HUGH MacEACHRAN.

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If our man comes home early to rest, he may find the landlady giving music lessons to her best apparent, who has no idea of music and never will have, but he must be cultivated. He hits the piano hard in a tinny way and drones out "Just before the Battle, Mother" hour after hour, and follows with Juanita, but in months never gets either right. Then we softly whisper to ourselves: "Wilt thou not relenting, to an absent lover's sigh, in thy heart consenting, to a prayer gone by" (so often that I wish to God he would stop.)

Then later when it's Sunday the family come in and sing long hymns, most of the evening, usually out of tune. The musical feasts that the lone man enjoys, free gratis, are superb, so he ought not to be lonely, but the brand is much the same in Edmonton, Calgary or Lethbridge.

However, it's evident we cannot always argue from another person's point of view and we must take the world as we find it. Hence this may be very true:

Slum Child: "She died through eatin' a tuppenny ice on top of 'ot pudden'."

The Other Slum Child: "Lor! wot a jolly death."

There is nothing to do at night for a lone man in a city except to play billiards or go to a theatre, but they both cost money and we may not often have the price with which to do either. At any rate the cost is what stops many.

However, this subject is only one of many problems a new country will have to solve, but, at present, we are not doing much to solve it, and perhaps it's too early, but the evil exists and a solution is worth thinking of and when about to do something it's better to be in time than too late.

The Clutch of Circumstance

From my window I see two men pass
On the stately road, where the elm trees are,
A tall, oldish man, with shoulders rounded.
And a tall, straight man in a motor car.
Silent the meeting, the parting, the passing—
The man on the walk does not lift his head,
And the man in the motor car only sees
The long, rippling road to be satisfied.

The steady-faced man with the round-
ed back,
Inherited Poverty's pending care,
The wary, self-contained power to toil,
Steadfast in the by-ways bitter and spare,
The tall, alert man in the motor car,
Inherited fortune and ease and name
The facile, debonair courage to spend
The forces of manhood Playing the Game.

Did the bowed man wander from the white ways
God set for him in some life long ago?
Does the tall, straight man enjoy ease because
He somewhere toiled with gaunt, sweat and woe?
How does the great world judge it, I wonder,
That the straight man reaps, without thought or care,
And the bowed man toils hour on hour
Steadfast in the by-ways, bitter and spare?

And what does the bowed man think, I wonder?
And what the straight man in the motor car?
Do they ever dream as the pass, these two,
Of the cobweb mesh that holds them so far,
Each from each forever, as world on world
In the moveless blue, locked secure in place—
Creatures who demand immortality
Enmeshed in a tangle of cobweb lace!

A pitiful tangle of tiny deeds,
Impalpable, pale,—a wavering mist,
Like the thin, sheer tracery that clings along
The brow of a mountain the sun has kissed;
Deed and deed to deed till the iron is firm,
And the soul cries aloud from prison walls,
And the sun sets down in the blood-red west,
And over the prison the stark night falls.

From my window I watch the two men pass,
And something of the filmy lace I see
Gathered pale around each, as I have felt,
Its delicate meshes enstrangling me.
Silent the meeting, the parting, the passing—
The man on the walk does not lift his head,
And the man in the motor car only sees
The long rippling road to be satisfied.

—II. Rhea Woodman.

A Striking Tribute to Angus MacKay

The Regina West pays this striking tribute under the heading "Canada's Grand Old Farmer."

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tion of the fertility of the soil, and combatted that foe of the western farmers—noxious weeds. To a man who has studied the rapid exhaustion of the wheat fields of Minnesota and the Dakotas, who has seen the ravages of noxious weeds in these states, he can only attribute the continued fertility of our older districts to the earnest work done by Mr. MacKay to inculcate in our people his methods of scientific wheat growing. To those who have witnessed the early efforts of our country and their rapid adoption of Mr. MacKay's methods as exemplified by the Canadian neighbors, they cannot but be convinced of the great debt owing to him by Western Canada.

We do not mean to say that our American settlers do not know how to farm, but the results in Minnesota and the Dakotas show that immediate results not continued fertility, was their object. Many of them are excellent farmers, but the system of "buckshot" farming was very prevalent among them especially in North Dakota. To say that it is the length of time they have been cropped is responsible for the small yield in these states cannot be offered as an excuse, when we consider that the Indian Head and Wolsley districts, where Mr. MacKay's methods were first adopted, are today producing as much per acre as they did twenty years ago.

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Water Supply

I am in favor of a gravity water system providing we can secure it upon terms as to water rates advantageous to the city but only on condition that the city itself distributes it through its own mains.

Street Railway

I believe that our street railway system should not be extended to exploit vacant property, but only as density of settlement warrants such extensions as being revenue producing. The street railway extensions should follow the development of the City and only as business warrants.

Streets and Exhibition Grounds.

As we will require to make considerable expenditures next year on exhibition grounds in order to maintain our position as the leading City of the Province, I am in favor of keeping the expenditures on street pavement and other non-revenue bearing improvements within due bounds and confined to what is necessary as our rate of taxation has already

reached higher proportions than is desirable.

Commissioners

In my opinion the commissioners should be selected for their business ability rather than for any special technical training along scientific lines; all technical help should be in the various departments where their special skill is applicable, and a high class Engineer be procured to take charge of all construction work in the city.

Penitentiary Grounds

I am in favor of making arrangements, if possible, with the Dominion Government to remove the penitentiary farther out. If the territory occupied by these grounds were sub-divided and settled it would greatly assist the revenue of the street railway and would facilitate the extension of other services.

Power Plant

The Committee of which I am Chairman, appointed to investigate the power service of the city, have engaged the best expert advice obtainable, and expect to go fully into the whole situation early next year. As the City has now a large investment in the power plant it appears to me advisable that the Council have the best expert advice in this matter before proceeding further with extensions and also have the charge of power rates properly adjusted among the different departments using it.

If honored by election I shall devote my time and energy to the best interests of the city.

Yours truly,

R. J. MANSON

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Attention is drawn to special tourist sleeping car being run from Calgary through to St. John, N.B., for the accommodation of passengers travelling to the Old Country and sailing via Empress of Britain, December 3rd, or the

Grampian, December 4th. This car will leave Calgary train No. 96 November 29th, passengers desiring reservations should apply early to City Ticket Office, Edmonton, R. L. Pickell, Agent, Phone 1511.

ADDRESS TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

I wish to announce myself on a few points as follows:

I am strongly in favor of municipal ownership, as long as municipal ownership is a paying proposition.

I do not look upon our city as a concern of unlimited capital, and unless you have the right class of business men over your affairs is the easiest thing in the world to run our city into a hole which will take years to get out of.

I am not prejudiced to giving a franchise as long as the city is not in a position to take up such an undertaking themselves, and the citizens getting some benefit from it.

I am strongly in favor of encouraging manufacturing concerns in our city or any move which will increase the pay roll of our city.

I would use every effort to have our city supplied with an up-to-date gas plant, which is absolutely necessary in a great many manufacturing concerns and to our citizens as a whole.

I am of the opinion that all city work should be advertised, tendered for, and awarded to the lowest bidder, providing he should be responsible and is in a position to furnish bonds according to the city's requirements.

I would also favor a fair wage clause to be inserted in all municipal work, whether it be day work or otherwise.

I would give the proposed gravity water proposition earnest consideration, as I believe our city should have some source of supply to depend upon besides the pumps now in use.

Owing to the very late date in deciding to enter the field as a candidate I find it will be impossible to make a personal call on each and every elector and therefore take the above method of expressing my views in a brief manner. And if elected I assure you that I will use every effort for the best interest of the city at large.

Soliciting your vote and influence for the ensuing term as alderman,

I am, yours truly,

JAMES W. MOULD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

Having been nominated for Alderman by a large and representative meeting of ratepayers I have decided to enter the field as a contestant.

I firmly believe in the municipal ownership of all public utilities.

I am opposed to a poll tax and if elected will endeavor to have it abolished.

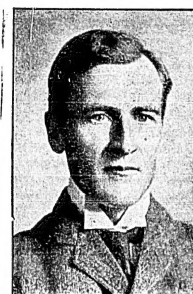
I believe the extension of the street car system should be made in the public interest and should be removed from council politics.

I will do all in my power to secure the building of an east end bridge. I believe strong representations should be made to the Dominion and provincial governments as to the necessity for this bridge, and that large grants should be obtained from them.

I respectfully solicit your vote and influence, and if elected will give my best thought and energy to the upbuilding of a Greater Edmonton.

Yours respectfully,

F. W. BROWN.



J. D. HYNDMAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

At the request of a few of my friends I have consented to stand for alderman at the forthcoming municipal election. I am not making any stereotyped promises but simply that if returned will apply such ability and business experience as I possess to each question as it arises with a view to the benefit and progress of the City of Edmonton as a whole. Apart from the general questions at issue I want to see a first class park and amusement ground so that our people may thoroughly enjoy themselves on a holiday. If elected, this matter will have my enthusiastic support.

Yours truly,

J. D. HYNDMAN.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

At the request of a large number of ratepayers, I have decided to offer myself as a candidate for Alderman.

Having served three successive terms in council in the East, and for a number of years having the practical experience of handling large numbers of men in different branches of work, I feel I would be able to further the interests of the city as a whole, and if you honor me with your support, will endeavor to work only for the best interests of the City.

I am in favor of absolute municipal ownership, and that the head of each department give a monthly report, so that defects may be rectified at once.

That the question of an East End bridge should be taken up at once with the Dominion Government, and all possible pressure be brought to bear on same for the erection of a suitable bridge across the Saskatchewan river in this end of the city.

That the question of our future water supply be very carefully gone into in detail, and the very best system for the benefit of the City be accepted.

That water, sewer, light and other revenue producing utilities be installed and extended as far as possible.

Respectfully soliciting your vote and influence.

I am,

Yours truly,

JOHN YUILL.

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JASPER'S NOTE BOOK

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occurring in only the second and third wards.

The members of the Westward Ho Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire are exerting themselves to have the high school property on the brow of the hill reserved for park purposes, when the new school in the northern portion of the city is completed; as well as to assure the retention for public uses of the property on the other side of College Avenue between McDougall and First. The suggestion is made that the library should be placed on the high school property.

If the arrangements regarding the site already selected have not gone too far, this might be considered. But in any case the land should not be allowed to pass into private hands. Great mistakes have been made in the past in not properly safeguarding the future in this connection. This is all the more reason why we should take advantage of such opportunities as the present has to offer.



E. J. TAYLOR

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

In placing myself before the electors of Edmonton, I wish to express myself on a few of the leading questions.

I am in favor of the removal of the incinerator outside the city limits. The immediate construction of a market building suitable to present demands with ample provision for increased accommodation. The procuring of the best engineering talent obtainable, a man who has had practical experience in the handling of big engineering problems, such as might be met with in a rapidly growing city; a man who can handle the water and sewer connections as they should be handled.

I am in favor of holding out every inducement in the way of cheap power and sites, for the establishment of industries; the construction of the East End bridge even before the completion of the High Level.

If favored with your confidence, I will endeavor to have the city's many diversified interests managed by business men who are well qualified to handle them, and the elimination of all wasteful and extravagant expenditures.

If favored with your support on Monday, I will devote my time to the up-building of a bigger and greater Edmonton.

E. J. TAYLOR

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MUSIC AND DRAMA

One of the new concert stars of last season was Mme. Frieda Langendorf—"the stately Mme. Frieda Langendorf," as one of the New York papers called her—who made her debut into the American concert field.

Previous to last season Mme. Langendorf was known only through her work in Grand Opera, and particularly for her magnificent Wagnerian interpretations. She has sung at the Berlin Royal Opera, the famous Wagnerian Opera, at Bayreuth, at Vienna, Dresden, Hamburg, Wiesbaden, etc., and our own Metropolitan Opera. Her first professional engagement was at the Opera at Strassburg, Germany, seven years ago. Since then

ments during the operatic arias. In these she thrilled by her forcefulness and towering dramatic strength as well as by her eloquent and colorful expression."—San Francisco Chronicle, February 19, 1909.

"Mme. Langendorf, the eminent contralto, made her first appearance during the afternoon, and gave Schumann Heink, whom she resembles in voice, there has been no contralto heard in New Orleans since Scaldi, who has so grand a voice, uniformly powerful in all its parts and directed by a lyric talent of the first order."—New Orleans Times, May 2, 1909.

A NEW SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. H. Douglas, Commissioner of Dominion Parks arrived in the Fort Wednesday morning and met Mr. Coxford of Vegreville (The new superintendent of Elk Island Park) and drove with him to the park. Mr. Coxford is to take charge of the



MME. FRIEDA LANGENDORF.

Who will appear at the Edmonton Opera House, December 17th.

Mme. Langendorf's art has gone on broadening, her rich German temperament has developed, and her beautiful voice has grown even more full and resonant, until today she is one of the best equipped artists before the public.

Her first season in American concert work carried her to the Pacific Coast, where she sang about fifteen concerts from Oakland to San Diego, her work receiving the most enthusiastic praise from the press. She had a tour in the North and Middle West, and one in the South, and everywhere she was hailed as the possessor of one of the most beautiful and remarkable voices before the public. In the spring she completed her season by a tour with the Dresden Philharmonic Orchestra, making nineteen appearances with that organization.

Mme. Langendorf's voice is most often compared to that of Schumann-Heink. It is mezzo-soprano of unusual depth and range of beautiful timbre, with a tinge of contralto quality. Her personality is strongly marked and intensely dramatic, a gift inherited from her mother and one which nearly sent her onto the stage before the possibilities of her unusual voice turned her thoughts toward Grand Opera.

As her name indicates, she is of German parentage, being born in Schlesien, Germany. While her operatic experience has served to intensify her love for the dramatic, her genuinely poetic German temperament makes her interpretations of the German Lieder, and the ballad styles of all languages, things of beauty.

Not many singers before the public today are as richly equipped by nature and training for a high place among the musical lights.

"She has a phenomenally rich and powerful mezzo-soprano voice with the lucidness and lower register of a contralto. Her programme proved her essentially a dramatic artist for she reached her very greatest mo-

park on December 8. We surmise that he will find things in much better shape than they were when Mr. Simmons took charge, as the buffalo are in their winter corral and the park itself is very conveniently arranged."—Fort Saskatchewan Reporter.

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Gifts for a Man

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